CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD 1010 HURLEY WAY, SUITE 300 SACRAMENTO, CA 95825



# REPORT OF THE BOARD OF STEWARDS

LOS ANGELES TURF CLUB, INC. SANTA ANITA PARK

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WEEK 15-THURSDAY, APRIL 5, 2018, THROUGH SUNDAY, APRIL 8, 2018.

#### **W**EDNESDAY

 $4/4/18^{1}$ 

## **ENTRIES AND SCRATCHES**

Steward Kim Sawyer was present to oversee entries for Saturday and scratches for Thursday.

#### **THURSDAY**

 $4/5/18^{1}$ 

# **MANDELLA HEARING**

We held a formal hearing into case number 18SA0024 which was a complaint filed by the CHRB against trainer RICHARD MANDELLA alleging violation of several CHRB rules stemming from a post-race double NSAID positive. On January 14, 2018, the Mandella trained "ACKER" won the 3<sup>rd</sup> race at Santa Anita, and the post-race sample uncovered both phenylbutazone and flunixin. Mr. Mandella was candid in explaining that he had no idea how the presence of both occurred. While acknowledging that both medications had been administered, he explained that the banamine was administered so far in advance that a positive could not have occurred. We opened the record, listened to testimony and entered written evidence into the record. The hearing was closed and a decision will be made in the near future.

# 4/5/18<sup>2</sup> INQUIRY/NO CHANGE/STARTER

We posted the inquiry sign to examine the start of #1 DONUT GIRL (G. Franco) who stumbled badly after the start and unseated her rider. Films revealed that #1 DONUT GIRL stumbled on her own. Therefore she was declared a starter and no change was made to the result. The horse was corralled by the outrider and Mr. Franco was examined by the track physician who cleared him to ride the rest of the card.

#### $4/5/18^3$ **DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1<sup>st</sup> Race #10 Boy Howdy - Claimed - E. Ganbat trainer. Refund \$0. 2<sup>nd</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$0 3<sup>rd</sup> Race #6 SANAVI - Claimed - R. Saldana, trainer. Refund \$5.00 4<sup>th</sup> Race No changes; Refund \$9.00 5<sup>th</sup> Race #9 SEA GLASS - Stewards' scratch, full field #12 TOPAZ TIME - Stewards' scratch, also eligible #13 On a Toot -- Stewards' scratch, also eligible #14 TROPHY BRIDLE -- Stewards' scratch, also eligible. Refund \$283.68 6th Race #3 Where's the D - Rider change - A. Quinonez for E. Hernandez #4 Tuscany Beauty - Claimed - A. Garcia, trainer #6 Foxy Fresh - Claimed - R. Saldana, trainer. Refund \$1.00 7<sup>th</sup> Race

#11 SUGARATSUNDOWN -- Stewards' scratch, also eligible

#12 PRINCESS DORIAN -- Stewards' scratch, also eligible

#13 SILVERSPUN PICKUP -- Stewards' scratch, also eligible. Refund \$118.20

8th Race #1 SEATTLE ENCOUNTER -- Stewards' scratch, full field. Refund \$214.20

#### $4/5/18^4$ **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	3,456	\$652,986.02
SCOTWinc	3,392	\$1,147,189.51
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$6,381,582.35
Total	6,848	\$8,181,757.88

#### **FRIDAY**

#### $4/6/18^{1}$ **FILM REVIEW**

Jockey BRAYAN PENA came to the office to review his ride in the third race yesterday during which he allowed his mount to drift out about 5 paths during the stretch run. Although he didn't interfere with any other rivals, we cautioned him that keeping a straight course is always a better strategy. He agreed.

Jockey COREY NAKATANI came to the office to review his ride in the first race last Sunday. We wanted an explanation as to why he appeared to be riding quite aggressively with respect to fellow rider Evin Roman, about whom he had complained in a hearing the day before. We explained that we are the Stewards and that further riding in this way would result in significant suspension days. We also wanted to caution him against standing up before the wire. Although his horse was clearly tired, Mr. Nakatani appears to have developed a habit of not finishing his races. We explained that if and when this behavior costs a horse a placing, the result would be a suspension. He understood.

#### $4/6/18^{2}$ **MANDELLA RULING**

After careful consideration of the facts from the hearing yesterday, we issued the following ruling:

# LATS Ruling #133

Trainer RICHARD MANDELLA, who started the horse ACKER, the first place finisher in the third race at Santa Anita Park on January 14, 2018, is fined FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$500.00)\* pursuant of California Horse Racing Board rule #1887 (Trainer to Insure Condition of Horse) for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1843 (a)(d) (Medication, Drugs and Other Substances) and #1844 (c)(1) (Authorized Medication – phenylbutazone, [0.65 ug/ml] and flunixin [14.6 ng/ml]).

## 4/6/18<sup>3</sup> **DISQUALIFICATION HEARING**

We held a formal hearing today into case number 18SA0067 which were complaints filed by the CHRB requesting the disqualification of the horse "FORTUNE OF WAR" from the seventh race at Santa Anita Park on February 10, 2018, whose prerace blood sample showed an overage of total carbon dioxide (TCO2). The owners Jim Ford & Doug Haines, jockey Danny Sorenson and trainer Eric Kruljac, were noticed but chose not to appear mostly because the horse finished seventh. CHRB Investigator Jim Hamilton presented the case and Michelle Derieg recorded the proceedings. Since the disqualification was not contested and the evidence undisputed, we will issue the ruling tomorrow.

## 4/6/18<sup>4</sup> **DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

DECEARATION	15, CHANGES AND REI GIVDS
1 <sup>st</sup> Race	#7 Tız Goldilux – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Stead
	#5 FEELING THE HEAT — Late Veterinarian scratch, flipped in paddock — Dr.
	Stead. Refund \$5,764.51
2 <sup>nd</sup> Race	No changes; Refund \$0; Minus Pool \$959.58
3 <sup>rd</sup> Race	No changes; Refund \$19.00
4 <sup>th</sup> Race	#2 Mercer Island – Claimed – S. Miyadi, trainer
	#5 Out of Patience – Claimed – C. Lopez, trainer. Refund \$12.00
5 <sup>th</sup> Race	#10 LOOKING AT THELAKE – Stewards' scratch, also eligible
	#11 MISS NAPPER TANDY Stewards' scratch, also eligible
	#1 Twirling Apples – Claimed – V. Cerin, trainer
	#5 PADDY JEAN – Claimed – T. Yakteen, trainer
	#5 PADDY JEAN – Claim <b>VOIDED</b> – returns V. Belvoir, trainer. Refund \$336.70
6 <sup>th</sup> Race	#10 SIERRA ECHO – Stewards' scratch, full field
	#9 ASTRO RIDER – Claimed – D'Amato, trainer. Refund \$242.30
7 <sup>th</sup> Race	#7 TANGLED Up – Claimed – J. Sadler, trainer. Refund \$24.00
8 <sup>th</sup> Race	#10 HEAVEN ESCAPE – Stewards' scratch, also eligible
	#11 LADY LEMON DROP Stewards' scratch, also eligible
	#12 ROCKIN READY Stewards' scratch, also eligible. Refund \$558.40

# 4/6/18<sup>5</sup> **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	4,017	\$631,381.42
SCOTWinc	3,921	\$1,321,489.54
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$4,894,016.80
Total	7,938	\$6,846,887.76

# **SATURDAY**

## 4/7/18<sup>1</sup> FILM REVIEW

Apprentice jockey ASA ESPINOZA came to the office to review his ride in the fifth race yesterday. Specifically, we believed that Mr. Espinoza needlessly allowed his mount to drift in with marginal clearance, causing a rival to steady slightly. The drift was especially odd given that the horse won easily, he was striking right handed and he had been counseled by Safety Steward Jauregui at apprentice class that very morning. Mr. Espinoza took responsibility and pledged to keep his mounts straighter in the future. Warning.

Jockey BRICE BLANC came to the office to review his ride in the first race yesterday. He angled in leaving the gate from the outside post causing two horses to his inside to steady slightly. Warning.

## 4/7/18<sup>2</sup> **DISQUALIFICATION RULING**

After considering the evidence from the hearing yesterday, we issued the following ruling:

#### LATS Ruling #134

Acting on a report from the University of California, Maddy Analytical Laboratory, the official testing laboratory for the California Horse Racing Board, that TC02 blood test sample #TC395083, obtained from the horse "FORTUNE OF WAR", the seventh place finisher in the third race at Santa Anita Park on February 10, 2018, was found to contain Total Carbon Dioxide(40.8 millimoles/liter) in excess of permitted levels, it is ordered that "FORTUNE OF WAR" be disqualified from all purse monies earned in said race in accordance with California Horse Racing Board rule #1859.5(Disqualification Upon Positive Test Finding).

The revised order of finish is as follows:

1st – MAESTRO DEARTE 2nd – MALIBU MUSIC

3rd – BURNING BRIGHTLY (IRE)

4th – TEMPLE KEYS 5th – BROKEN UP 6th – LYMEBYRD 7th – RIGOLETTO (SWI) 8<sup>th</sup> – GUSTNADO

All records are ordered changed to reflect this ruling.

## 4/7/18<sup>3</sup> INQUIRY/NO CHANGE

We posted the inquiry sign after the seventh race to examine the stretch run of the winner #1 ACCOUNTABILITY (J. Castellano). Video revealed that #1 comes in three times causing the two horses to his inside to steady. Then, as he approaches the finish, #1 comes out sharply causing the second place finisher (who is drifting in) to steady sharply. After speaking with the patrol judges and riders involved, regarding the first incident we voted unanimously to make no change because neither of the two horses were not cost the opportunity at a better placing. With regard to the second incident, the majority voted to make no change because we believed that the incident happened so close to the finish that the second place finisher was not cost the opportunity at a better placing. Steward Sawyer voted for a disqualification.

# 4/7/18<sup>4</sup> INQUIRY/STARTER

We posted the inquiry sign after the twelfth race to examine the start and first few strides of #1 LASEEN (IRE) (V. Espinoza) who appeared to refuse to run. Video confirmed that the horse simply refused to participate and pulled herself up. She was therefore declared a starter. Since this was the second occurrence in as many races, we barred her from racing in California.

#### 4/7/18<sup>5</sup> **OBJECTION/NO CHANGE**

Jockey MATT GARCIA claimed foul after the thirteenth race for an incident going into the first turn. He finished fourth but wasn't certain which horses were involved in the incident. A quick review of the incident revealed that none of the horses that finished in front of him were in the vicinity so the objection was dismissed and the race was made official.

## 4/7/18<sup>6</sup> **DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1st Race No changes; Refund \$4.00

2nd Race #13 GOLDEN GLADIATOR – Stewards' scratch, also eligible #14 PAINT ME LUCKY -- Stewards' scratch, also eligible. Refund \$312.49

3rd Race #5 FOR HIM – Weight changed +3 (5th Apprentice win). Refund \$9.00

4th Race No changes; Refund \$2.00; Minus Pool \$2,406.16

5 <sup>th</sup> Race	#8 FLORISTA (IRE) – Stewards' scratch, stake. Refund \$273.90
6 <sup>th</sup> Race	No changes; Refund \$102.00
7 <sup>th</sup> Race	#3 SAWYER'S HILL – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Stead. Refund \$1,121.35
8 <sup>th</sup> Race	#9 MIDNIGHT PLEASURE – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Lamparter
	#3 CLEVER ROYAL – Claimed – J. Sadler, trainer. Refund \$694.77
9 <sup>th</sup> Race	No changes; Refund \$0; Minus Pool \$193.51
10 <sup>th</sup> Race	No changes; Refund \$23.00
11 <sup>th</sup> Race	No changes; Refund \$48.00; Minus Pool \$1,890.53
12 <sup>th</sup> Race	#3 STARLITE STYLE – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Grande
	#8 Насні (CHI) – Veterinarian scratch, injured – Dr. Lamparter.
	Refund \$929.35

13th Race #4 Mahra T – Rider change – B. Pena for X. Ziani (suspended). Refund \$0

### 4/7/18<sup>7</sup> **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	39,023	\$3,494,979.90
SCOTWinc	8,035	\$3,643,602.36
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$16,467,256.94
Total	47,058	\$23,605,839.20

#### SUNDAY

## 4/8/18<sup>1</sup> FILM REVIEW

Jockey SASHA RISENHOOVER came to the office as directed to review her crop use in the thirteenth race yesterday. Video showed that she used her crop four times in succession without giving her mount the chance to respond. She agreed and accepted the following ruling:

### LATS Ruling #135

Jockey SASHA RISENHOOVER, is fined one hundred dollars (\$100.00)\* for violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1688(b)(6) (Use of Riding Crop – more than three times in succession without giving the horse a chance to respond – first offense in the last sixty days), during the thirteenth race at Santa Anita Park on April 7, 2018.

4/8/18<sup>2</sup> Jockey agent Tom Knust came to the office to review MARIO GUTIERREZ's ride in the eighth race yesterday. Video revealed that his horse came out three paths under four left handed strikes of the crop and made solid contact with the horse to his outside. Mr. Gutierrez

made no effort to correct the action. He was issued the following ruling:

#### LATS Ruling #136

Jockey MARIO GUTIERREZ, who rode STONE HANDS in the eighth race at Santa Anita Park on April 7, 2018 is suspended for FOUR (4) racing days (April 15, 20, 21 and 22, 2018) for failure to maintain a straight course and causing interference in the stretch. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rule – Careless Riding – second offense in sixty days).

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races), the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races.

4/8/18<sup>3</sup> Jockeys' Guild representative Darrel Haire came to the office to represent JAVIER CASTELLANO's ride in the eighth race yesterday. His mount was the subject of an inquiry for several incidents in the stretch run. Video showed that he came in three times, putting pressure on the two horses to his inside, causing both to steady at least once. He then struck his horse left handed as he approached the wire, and his horse came out at least three paths making minor contact with the horse to his outside. Fortunately, the rider of

that horse pulled his horse out avoiding major contact with the Mr. Castellano's mount. Mr. Haire strongly argued that the riders to his inside did not have to stop riding and that regarding the incident near the wire, the horses made minimal contact if at all. We issued the following ruling:

## LATS Ruling #137

Jockey JAVIER CASTELLANO, who rode ACCOUNTABILITY in the seventh race at Santa Anita Park on April 7, 2018 is suspended for THREE (3) racing days (April 15, 20 and 21, 2018) for failure to maintain a straight course in the stretch and causing interference in two (2) separate incidents. This constitutes a violation of California Horse Racing Board rule #1699 (Riding Rule – Careless Riding).

Pursuant to California Horse Racing Board rule #1766 (Designated Races), the term of suspension shall not prohibit participation in designated races.

### 4/8/18<sup>4</sup> INQUIRY/NO CHANGE

We posted the inquiry sign after the third race to examine an incident shortly after the start during which #4 BORG (J. Talamo) had to steady sharply. Video revealed that initially #3 angles out making space limited, and then #6 (and to some extent #5) come down from the outside, causing #4 to steady off of heels. After speaking with the patrol judges and riders involved, we unanimously voted to make no change to the original order of finish because multiple horses were responsible for the incident.

# 4/8/18<sup>5</sup> **DECLARATIONS, CHANGES AND REFUNDS**

1 <sup>st</sup> Race	#2 Surfside – Claimed – D. O'Neill, trainer. Refund \$0
2 <sup>nd</sup> Race	No changes; Refund \$0
3 <sup>rd</sup> Race	#4 Borg – Claimed – T. Yakteen, trainer. Refund \$0
4 <sup>th</sup> Race	No changes; Refund \$20.00
5 <sup>th</sup> Race	#1 INFOBEDAD (ARG) – pulled up, walked off
	Refund \$42.00; Minus Pool \$12,734.29
6 <sup>th</sup> Race	#2 JUNGLE WARFARE – Veterinarian scratch, sick – Dr. Lamparter
	#4 BLAME THE RIDER – Stewards' scratch, entered back. Refund \$447.92
7 <sup>th</sup> Race	No changes; Refund \$146.00
8 <sup>th</sup> Race	#9 Атоміс Астіон – Claimed – J. Sadler, trainer. Refund \$92.00
9 <sup>th</sup> Race	#4 NINE POINT NINE – Stewards' scratch, full field
	#8 LORI'S ATTITUDE – Stewards' scratch, full field. Refund \$622.90

#### 4/8/18<sup>6</sup> **DAILY ATTENDANCE & HANDLE**

On track	14,848	\$1,181,282.94
SCOTWinc	5,125	\$1,793,665.99
Out of state + ADW	N/A	\$7,093,357.33
Total	19,973	\$10,068,306.26

<u>ATTENDANCE REPORT</u> – The full Board of Stewards was in session each day during this reporting period for both morning business and the afternoon racing program.

## SANTA ANITA PARK - VETERINARIAN REPORT - Week of: 4/2/18 - 4/8/18

Horses on Vet List	12
Horses off Vet List	9
Shock Wave Therapy	20
Fatalities	0
Medication	0

# **SUMMARY**

	Thurs 4/5/18	Fri 4/6/18	Sat 4/7/18	Sun 4/8/18	Week	Meet
Accidents	1	0	0	0	1	9
Cal-Bred Races	2	0	2	2	6	70
Claims	4	5	1	3	13	197
Disqualifications	0	0	0	0	0	8
Inquiries	1	0	3	1	5	41
Refunds	6	7	11	6	30	377
Rulings	0	1	1	3	5	137
Voided Claims	0	1	0	0	1	25

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Kim Sawyer, Steward	_
Grant W. Baker, Steward	_
Luis Jauregui, Steward	_

# JOCKEY/DRIVER ACCIDENT REPORT

Business and Professions Code Section 19481.3(e) provides that the stewards shall investigate and prepare a report regarding all ontrack accidents involving jockeys that occur during the performance of the jockeys' duties. The investigation shall commence no later than the next live racing day and shall be completed expeditiously. Board Rule 1536, Stewards' Minutes, includes drivers in this requirement. Upon completion of the report, it shall immediately be sent by facsimile or electronic mail to the Jockeys' Guild or California Harness Horsemen's Association (CHHA); the jockey/driver or his representative; the racing association; the horse owner; and the trainer of the horse the jockey/driver was riding/driving at the time of the accident.

Name of jockey/driver & CHRB License No.: Geovanni Franco #304141

Name of horse owner & CHRB License No.: Granja Mexico #111306

Name of trainer & CHRB License No.: Hector Palma #088676

Name of horse & Tattoo No.: Donut Girl #S14928

Race No.: 4

Date/time/location of accident: 04/05/2018 - 1:38 pm – Santa Anita Park

## **DESCRIPTION OF ACCIDENT**

Include circumstances of accident, likely causes and the extent of injury to jockey/driver, if any. Complete one Jockey/Driver Accident Report for each jockey/driver involved in an accident. A copy of each report shall be attached to the stewards' minutes in accordance with Rule 1536, Stewards' Minutes.

Jockey Geovanni Franco was unseated when his horse stumbled leaving the starting gate in the fourth race. Mr. Franco went to First Aid to be examined by the track physician.

Jockey/Driver condition: Cleared to ride and released.

Horse condition: Grabbed a quarter on left front foot.

Prepared by: <u>Luis Jauregui</u>
Signature:
04/05/2018
Date report completed:

#### Distribution

- Jockeys' Guild/ CHHA
- Jockey/Driver
- Racing Association
- Owner
- Trainer

Note: Attach original CHRB-201 form to stewards' minutes.